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Representation of Messers D. S. Mallappa and others for the Grant of Special previlages of Addapalaki & Panchakalasa to the Swami of the Sri Murgi Mutt

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GOVT. OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA
OF MYSORE.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT.

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

(Rev 205-30) No. 1925

The accompanying Petition Registered

No. 800 dated 28.11.1930

received at the General and Revenue

Secretariat from Messrs. G. S. Mallappa

Town Councillors of the Sri

Murugha Mutt praying for

additional Lamps to the Mutt

5.3.1931

Enclosures — 4 { 2 books. 1 petn with its enclosures

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to the Rs.

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(The petn and its enclosures to be returned)

By Order,

4.3.31

for Secretary.

BANGALORE,

4/3/1931

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By Order,

Secretary.

No. 1452/30-37
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Muz Dno 178 13-8-31

OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, 10th August ..... 1931.

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FROM

S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

To

Rajasevaparayana
B.Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A., b.L.,

Secretary to Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
.....Financial.....Department.

SIR,

With reference to your Official Memorandum No.1925/Muz.205-30- dated 5th March 1931 forwarding for report petition from Mr.D.S.Mallaj and others praying for additional honors to the Sri Murgi Matha, I have the honor to state as follows:-

The memorialists pray (i) that the entire honors equivalent to those which have been given to an equally important and leading --- Institution of another community may be granted and(ii) that the cash grant of 1440 Kantirayi Pagodas which had been originally endowed to Institution may be revived.

3. The grounds on which a review of Government Orders Nos. 5547-58/Muz.58-97 dated 28th May 1907 and 5054-65/Muz.57-02 dated 18th May 1908 are sought are explained in sufficient detail in the memorial. Beyond reiterating the previous facts of the case, no new grounds have been urged which warrant a reconsideration of the orders already passed Specific mention is made of the two birudus, viz., Addapalki and Panchakalasa among others. As regards the former, Government while admitting the genuineness of the Sannad of 1816 on which the memorialists base their claim, came to the conclusion that for reasons explained in para 15 of Government Order dated 28th May 1907 that this special honor cannot be continued to the Murgi Matha and that with the exception of this special honor all the others specified in the Chief Commissioner's Rahadari dated 20th September 1869 may be allowed. Next, as regards Panchakalasa, Government admitted the reliability of the sirpa of --- 19th February 1827 on which the claim of the Matha was based but i

ard6 of Gover.ient dated 18th May 1 08 it was directed that it not desirable that the Panchakalasa honor which is not specifily mentioned in the Rahadari of 1869 should now be bestowed on or the first time. Both these points have to be taken as -- lly settled. There appears no strong grounds for reopening the ses.

4. As regards the revival of the cash grant, I beg to state that Patna is now in the enjoy ent of a cash grant of Rs.200-4- annu . There is no doubt that the Firup of His Highness the Maharaja issued on 14th Nove ber 1816 conced d to the Patna.a t of 1420 Kanti Sarahas in lieu of the villa es resumed to --- ment. But it is found from the inam records that it was -- ced to 100 Kanthraya Pagodas by the Grantor hi self previous to the formation he Final tasdik pat a of 1850-51. The Superintendent of the -- Department to was requested to intimate whether the grant was nt up for enquiry at the time of Inam Settlement, states that - question came up for consideration at the inam enquiry and that Grantor hi self subsequent to 1816 reduced the grant to 100 Kanti agodas which was finally confirmed in 1869. In these circum- es, I am of opinion that it is not expedient to open now the sed order passed over 100 years ago by the Grantor himself.

5. The enclosures to your Official Memorandum under reply returned.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Jpraj agopal

Muzrai Commissioner.

Mysore.

(7) Edict dated the 2nd March 1817 sanctions a further grant of 60 Varahas for the services at the five temples attached to the Murugha Mutt.

(8) Edict dated the 12th October 1831 shows that Phoujdar Venkata Rao of Chitaldrug made a report to say that the then His Holiness the Swamiji died, and that no successor had been selected. On this His Highness has issued orders to say that until a successor was appointed 120 Varahas may be disbursed for the current expenses of the Mutt and that the balance should be kept in deposit to the credit of the Mutt, for payment in lumpsum when a successor was appointed. This gives a sufficient account of the position held by the Murugha Mutt in this religion and recognised by His Highness the late Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar III. A printed book containing copies of these edicts and of the Rahadaris issued to different Taluks is enclosed, for favour of reference.

We have attempted to give in as few words as possible, a brief history of the religion which owes its spirituality to the " Anādi Niranjana Jangama Jagadguru " of Murugha Mutt at Chitaldrug, which enjoyed all the highest honors and privileges vested in the Royal Prerogative. His Highness the late Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar III recognised the importance and the leading position which this religion was entitled to hold through its spiritual head the Sri Murugha Mutt of Chitaldrug. All this is perfectly clear and unassailable.

But coming to modernity, it is a different tale

tale of arguments and circumlocution. We humbly pray that you will be graciously pleased to have the recent orders of Government on this subject critically examined. Government Order No. 5547-58/Muz. F. 58 of 1897 dated the 28th May 1907 dealing with the distinction between the claims of the Kudli-Sringeri Mutt and Sringeri Mutt and Government Order No. 5054-65/Muz. F. 57 of 1902 dated the 18th May 1908 dealing with the independent claims of an independent religious Mutt, have confused facts in issue and have rambled into matters both unnecessary and unwarranted leading to a conclusion which is inconsistent with the idea of prerogative exercised by His Highness which does not admit of arguments that are the characteristics of a Government Order but not of a prerogative.. Arguments are an interference with the Royal prerogative. We do not in the least, dispute the high significance of the Royal Prerogative. But we do feel, as loyal and humble subjects of His Highness, for the fall which as interpreted in the Government Orders, the prerogative has sustained. There is in these Government Orders confusion of ideas. What applies to Kudli Sringeri Mutt in relation to Sringeri Mutt, cannot possibly apply to the Murugha Mutt which represents an independent religion and independent philosophy. The " Anādi Niranjana Jangama Jagadguru " has spiritualised the Veerasaiva religion unlike Sanyasis of other religions. You may be graciously pleased to observe that objection has been taken to the use of honors which His Highness's great predecessor had recognised as mamool honors enjoyed by the Murugha Mutt. This is a negation of the principle of prerogative.

prerogative. You may further be pleased to notice the following sentence in the Government Order of 28th May 1907.

" His Highness the Maharaja Sri Krishnarajendra Wadiyar III appears to have been very liberal with the grant of these honors in the earlier part of His reign and had evidently in later years thought that they should be restricted to the one important and leading Mutt of Sringeri.

This portion of the Government Order casts an aspersion on such High Royal Personage as His Highness the Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar III in attributing to His Highness an erroneous degree of liberality which is supposed to have been exercised at an early stage and then corrected by imposing restrictions on the grants of honors which had been previously conferred. This is to say the least, an incorrect and unjustifiable supposition inconsistent with edicts issued in favour of His Holiness Murugharajendraswami. In fact it is in the right spirit of Royalty that actions or grants by the Royal Personages are liberal not illiberal. The portion of the Government Order quoted above may perhaps appropriately apply to the Hudli-Sringeri Mutt, but it cannot apply to the Murugha Mutt. The Sringeri Mutt may be an important Mutt and it may also be a leading Mutt with reference to other Mutts of the Smartha Brahmins or of all Brahmins. But it cannot possibly be called " Important ", or " Leading " with reference to the rights and privileges of an independent religion like the Veerasaiva religion. The above sentence deserves to be expunged from the Government Order as it cannot be allowed to remain with such.

such aspersions cast by supposition at the greatest Ruler that adored the Mysore Throne.

The contexts of the edicts quoted above do conclusively prove the importance and the leading position held by the " Anadi Niranjana Jangama Jagadguru " Simhasana of Sri Murugha Mutt of Chitaldrug and the esteem and regard which His Highness the Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar III entertained for the Peeta.

We humbly and loyally pray that you will be graciously pleased to condescend to give us a patient hearing and recommend the restoration to His Holiness all the honors which His Highness's illustrious predecessors had granted including Addapallakki and Panchakalasa and restore also the cash grant of 1440 Kantiraya Varahas which was only in return for the revenues realised from the 10 Inam Villages of the Mutt. His Highness the Maharaja Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar III has expressly caused it to be stated that on the demise of the then Murugha Mutt Swami, the cash grant of Varahas 1440 minus Varahas 120 should be kept in deposit in the Government Treasury at Chitaldrug. All that we pray is the revival of this cash grant.

We further beg to pray for your permission to say that ever since the present Swamiji was installed, the community has received at His Holiness' hands enormous help which may be roughly estimated at Rs. 20 lakhs as could be seen from the enclosed list of benefactions. The community owes the present educational and religious awakening entirely to His Holiness liberal gifts to the Community in the shape of grants to Hostel Buildings and their maintenance, grant of scholarships to students studying English and Sanskrit in Mysore, outside Mysore and outside India. In fact His Holiness has revived the life of the Community by

by various acts of munificence and preachings. We 19 feel that it is our sacred duty to approach His Highness with our legitimate prayer to restore to the Murugha Mutt what honours, rights and privileges had once been granted and exercised and nothing more. Nor do we dispute other equally important and leading Mutts of other religions being granted similar honors. We speak for ourselves and that we do with all the loyalty and respectfulness which a community of this magnitude and importance could command.

We beg to mention here that the honors of Addapallakki and Panchakalasa have been conceded to His Holiness Sri Murugharajendraswami in the British Indian Provinces and in the sister states of Hyderabad, Kolhapur, Sangli, etc., and here the Lingayet Subjects of His Highness feel it all the more anxious to beseech His Highness to revive these honors which His Highness's predecessor of sacred memory, had been graciously pleased to confer.

With the permission of His Holiness who was persuaded to grant it, this representation is made to you by the leading Representatives of our Community.

You are aware, Sir, that the whole world is at the threshold of a moral fight never known in history, ancient or modern, to claim rights of equality in matters social and religious. We are aware of the anxiety of His Highness's Government to bestow on us all contentment and happiness which this world-wide awakening has kindled in the minds of His Highness's Loyal Subjects. We do not yield our position as the most Loyal Subjects to any others in the State. We are not behind others in fostering a right spirit of awakening bringing joy to us and to our fellow beings. It is this high spirit of awakening and sense of self respect which has prompted us to approach His Holiness the Murugharajendraswami to permit us to make this representation to you - the Head of Government - which we trust will meet with your gracious and sympathetic

sympathetic consideration.

In conclusion, we pray that you will be graciously pleased to recommend the restoration to the only leading and important religious Institution of ours viz., the " Anādi Niranjana Jangama Jagadguru " Peeta at Chitaldrug, the money grant which had been sanctioned by His Highness's Illustrious Predecessor and the entire honors equivalent to those which have been granted to an equally important and leading Institution of another community, and we, as in duty bound, assure you that this great boon conferred during your administration at a time while live consciousness of self-respect is bursting in the youthful hearts and while the old hearts are longing to see that the old wounds are completely healed before joining the majority, will be solemnly cherished and handed down to posterity embossed on the imperishable case of gratitude of the forty lakhs of people belonging to this religion.

May the Catholic spirit of His Highness' Govemment live long and for ever.

We beg to remain,
S i r ,
Your most obedient servants,

Bangalore,
28-11-1930

D. Nallappa M.L.C.
H. Channappa M.L.C.
Yajamana Mathi Doddappa
Vice President V.V. Association.
S. Veerabhadrappa Vice-president
Dist.-Board.
Chitaldrug.
M. Nagappa.
D.H. Chandrasekhariah M.L.C
President V.V. Assn

Register Sheet No. 115 ~~150~~

Taluk. Chitaldroog

Hobli.....

Village.....

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General No	Value of the Inam	Description of Inams If for service, it is to be stated whether it is performed. If for buildings, tanks, etc., whether they are efficiently kept up	Tenure Hereditary, uncondi only, or for two or more.
1	2	3	4
28	Rs as ps 290-4-0 allowance paid monthly at Rs: 24-3- from the Chitaldroog Treasury	Devadayam granted for the Support of Moorge Mutt and for the performance of poojah of 6 Small pagodas Situated within the Mutt building. The institution is said to be in good order and worship performed.	permanent So long as the pagoda is in good order.

When, and by whom, and to whom granted	Name of the party registered in the Standard Muzrai or other recognized accounts
5	6
Granted by the late Maharajah on 4 occasions. 1st for C.P. 360 in Sept: 1815 to Niranjana Murgarajendra Swamy Matt. 2nd, for C.P. 1080 in addition to the first in June 1816 to the Same Mutt. 3rd for C.P. 36 in addition to the above as a remuneration to the Nirushi for his service attached to the Mutt in ~~Feb~~: 1817. 4th for C.P. 60 pagodas in addition to the above for worship of Temples Attached to the Mutt And within its Compound.	Jusdik patti of 1830/31 Manjerajiah's Moorgarajendra Swamy Matt - C. P. 100 Salzada Lavazmah of 1865/66. Moorge Mattah Rs: 290-4-0

DESCRIPTIVE ROLL OF THE PRESENT RECIPIENT

Name, place of residence, and age	Caste or tribe, height and complexion	Indelible marks identification of
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Chitaldroog Taluq.
Kooroobarahatti
Sriman Niranjana
Moorgha Rajendra
Swamy's Mutt -
Manager
present priest of the
Mutt :—
Rs 145 - 2 - 0 is for the
Muttam
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appropriated for the
× Worship of 6 pagodas
situated within the
pale and attached
to the Mutt
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1. Maheswara
2. Chanakeswara
3. Beder Kanneswara
4. Gangadhareswara
5. Goondu Basweswara
6. Moodder Basveswara
Nos: 1 to 4 have each
Rs 29. 0 - 0
Nos: 5 and 6 have
Rs: 29 - 2 - 0 equally

of the Division

Relationship to the grantee or the registered holder	Particulars of the heirs of the party in Col. 7	PARTICULARS OF THE COMMUTED LAND			
		Village and Taluk	Description and No	Extent	Assessment
10	11	12	13	14	15

Recommendation of the Assistant	Review by the Special Assistant-and con by the Inam Commissioner
16	17

It will be observed from the entries in Column 5 that the total Value of the grant according to the late Maharajah's Sanad is C pgs 1536. But this amount suffered a reduction on 3 different occasions and was gradually fixed at C.p. 100 by the Grantor himself previous to the formation of the last and final Jusdik patti of 1830/31 during the late Maharajah's administration - Since then the present Stipend has been paid without any interruption -

It is reported that the mutt is in good order and that worship in the 6 pagodas is also kept up, and I recommend the Inam to be Confirmed and Continued so long as the object of the grant is Carried out in the name of the mutt and its 6 pagodas

(Sd) B. Gopaliah
Spl: Asst:

payment of Rs: 290-4-
Confirmed subject to the Conditions of the grant.

April 7th 69

(Sd) Sblark-
Inam Commr

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Dated, Bangalore, 3rd October 1931.

No. Fi. 482 Enc 2 Books
mer 205-30-4

ENDORSEMENT

To

Messrs. D.S.Mallappa
and others, Tiptur,
Tumkur ~~Taluk~~.

With reference to their representation of 28th November 1930 for the grant of the special insignias of Adda-palakki and Panchakalasa to the Swami of the Sri Durgi Matt etc. Messrs D.S.Mallappa and others are informed that Government regret that none of the requests can be granted.

The enclosures received with the Memorial are herewith returned.

By Order,

Sd/- B.Srinivasa Iyengar.

~~Xxx~~ Secretary to Government
Financial Department.

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To

Messrs W. S. Mallis
Colombo.

Sir/Madam, I am ~~Secretary~~ directed to ~~upon~~ ~~Memorial~~ write to you ~~dated~~ Tuesday the 28-11-1930 ~~addressed~~ ~~to~~ ~~Dewan~~ praying for the grant of the Special insignia of Adduparakki and Pandrakkalasa to the Swamis of the Sri Muna ~~Mutt~~ and ~~for~~ ~~the revival of the Cash~~ ~~Grant of 1440 Kandyan~~ ~~Fanams~~, Messrs W. S. Mallis & Brothers and

Request Cancelled Granted Enclosures
received with the memorial as mentioned above.

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See Q 5 above

Accepted.

Copy to the M.C. with reference
to his letter No. 1452/30-31
dt 11.8.31.

OS - O

2.10.31 See Q 5 above

Accepted

Q 5
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